

CarbonLITE PET Facility on stream mid-2011



HPC Industries LLC recently announced that their recycling venture, CarbonLITE Industries LLC, will locate operations in a new 220,000-square-foot facility in Riverside, CA. The plant is scheduled to come on stream in mid-2011.

CarbonLITE will produce bottle-grade PET pellet and flake from post-consumer PET bottles with a first-phase annual capacity of 100 million pounds per annum. This will make CarbonLITE the largest bottle-grade PET producer in the Western States.

The capacity will double to 200 million pounds when the second phase comes on-stream in 2012. This will allow them to bring in 80 employees within the first two years of becoming fully operational.

Neville Browne, President of CarbonLITE, believes the future of single-use packaging lies in the success of recycling programs. “The implications for carbon reductions and resource preservation make recycling the only responsible option,” said Browne. “The success of any recycling program demands the highest level of quality output so that virgin-material displacement is seamless. In the first phase of our Riverside operation we will be investing \$40 million in state-of-the-art equipment to make certain that happens.”



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